# Billiard Champion's Old-Time Steadiness Lacking in Match Against Jake Schaefer

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THE "THREE-FINGER MYSTERY"—CHAPTER VIII

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## HOPPE MAY NOT HOLD **BILLIARD CROWN LONG**; HAS DEVELOPED FLINCH

He Must Regain Perfect Co-ordination of Mental and Physical Equipment or He Will Not Reign Supreme Long—Picking Grid Winners

#### By STONEY McLINN

ALTHOUGH Willie Hoppe has regained his balk-line billiard crown and may hold it unmolested for a period of ninety days, there is a strong suspicion among Philadelphia one philosophers that the former king of the green cloth has not come back to reign for a longer period than three monthsgranting he meets Schaefer then. Hoppe has developed a "flinch." and that · fatal to any man who must have perfect co-

ordination of eye, mind and muscle. Billiardists may not know what is meant by a "flinch" unless they have pointed a shotgun at moving objects. But a trapshooter will tell them all about the "flinch," or the "fudge," as it also is called. It has ruined top-notch claytarget busters by the dozens; lowered them from stardom to mediocrity.

To explain: A transhouter calls "pull" his eye locates the flying clay bird and a "through wire" is opened between the eye, brain and muscles. The gun is swong, at the direction of the eye, to a point where the load of shot will break the bird, and the mind says to the finger, "Touch off that trigger!" Usually the finger obeys. But sometimes, for some unaccountable reason, the finger absolutely refuses to do the bidding of the mind-the trigger is

STONEY McLINN pulled late, often very late, if at all. It is lack of co-ordination; that much we do know. But no person can explain why the eye, mind and muscle will work in harmony for, say, twenty shots, and then absolutely refuse to function in unison. At times, too, when the victim of the flinch bugaboo is thoroughly upset mentally, he will shoot his gun into the air or the ground, his left arm joining his right trigger finger in the multifarious stuff.

Several persons who watched Hoppe play Schaefer, and who had seen a victim of the flinch habit at the traps, said there was no question that the champion had developed a billiard flinch. By the exercise of extreme enution and supreme mental courage Willie managed to win the titular match. But unless he regains the perfect co-ordination of his mental and physical equipment that he once enjoyed he cannot hope to wear the crown long.

HOPPE, his friends and his physicians insist it is nearlife that has him in its grasp. Mention also has been made of a strained ligament. But while these may be contributory factors, the real trath is that Hoppe is a flincher.

#### Hoppe Made 43 False Starts

SPECTATORS tell us that in attempting a masse shot in the course of his match the cue moved up and down like a piston forty-three times before Willie was satisfied that his eye, mind and arm were co-ordinating properly. Throughout the match he fiddled with the one until the gallery was ready to Jump out the windows-though they pitied him.

Under the circumstances. Hoppe gave a masterly exhibition of billiards. His gameness and experience won for him. No doubt he was in pain-a sore ligament is bad enough, and neuritis is worse. But will Hoppe recover from the flineh-that indecision which cost him some easy shots-when the pain is gone? We are afraid not.

While we are linking billiards with shooting we desire to mention what one expert on the green cloth accomplished with a shotgan. We refer to George Sutton, the man without hands, who played exhibition matches in Philadelphia this week. Those who have watched this one expert execute wonderful billiard masses and draws have marveled. But they would marvel still more if they could see him at the traps or in the field.

Sutton loves to shoot. He determined that the loss of his hands and part of his forearms would not prevent him from bagging flying game in the field. He rigged up a device by which he can rest the gun on his right arm. sight down the barrel and pull the trigger with his left arm-it would require too much space and perhaps an artist to describe Sutton's invention here.

I we have seen Suttan shoot kill doubles, in fact -and he has a B' T we have seen Suttan snow and assume who have two perfect style and a true aim that shames many of us who have two perfect hands attached to muscular arms, with a trigger finger that should do its duty each time, were it not for that flinch. Sutton has never ictim of the flinch or the fudge—either with gan or eue,

## No Such Thing as "Moral Victory"

A LETTER from W. S. C., Jr., who travels out of Wilmington, Del., mistakenly chides us a bit for referring to the Pitt-Penn game as a "moral victory" for the Red and Blue eleven. Ordinarily we would respect our friend's request that we refrain from "retaliating publicly." But we want to announce here and now that in our dictionary of sporting terms the words "moral victory" do not appear. He has us wrong. It is difficult to understand how what we said about the Penn-Pitt game could be construed into the suggestion that we thought it a moral victory.

In this connection we are reminded of the chap who was in jail and. upon being accested through the laws by a friend who was in the street outside, said he had been arrested for winking at a policeman. "But they can't arrest you for that." said the friend from the outside. "That may be true, fellow, but I'm here, ain't 19" was the prisoner's angry retort,

When a football team is on the six end of 7-6 score, a boxer is nursing a sore jaw or a gotter is congratulating the player who beat him, sympathizing friends may find good reasons for saying to the loser, "Well, you were game to the core and should have won; it was a moral victory." may be, the defeated side, pointing to the result as published, has every right to say, as did the prisoner, "I'm here, ain't 1?" What we did say after the Pitt-Penn game we repeat now the score

should have been 6-6 or 7-7, indicating that each side displayed equal scoring strength. By this time mention of that try-for-point rule in these columns may be tiresome, but W. S. C., Jr., must bear the blame. For we felt it was a downright shame that after each team had scored one touchdown, the responsibility of winning or losing should be thrust upon the shoulders of As one Pennsylvania couch put it: "Pitt beat Penn and Penn beat Penn

State, and so it always will appear in the records of the teams. But I count the two games as tied, in so far as the true fight and scoring punch of the teams went, because I do not think it is just to place the responsibility of tying the score on one player."

NOTWITHSTANDING our opinion of that the for point rule, however, Pitt and Penn did not win "moral rictories" when they captured games by 7 to 6. The victors had men who took advantage of the apportunity the rules granted them, and it would be unclubby. to say the least, to intimate that they did not describe to win.

## Picking Winners a Dangerous Pastime

A NOTHER correspondent, J. R. J., Jr., wants to know why the football writers of Philadelphia are so wary in the matter of picking winners. "You told me that in your opinion Princeton would beat both Harvard and Tale. I bet on the Tigers and won. Why did you neglect to publish these opinions in your paper so that you might have been regarded as a prophet; a real picker?

That is easy. Because the puncher of typewriter keys who fills this space doesn't know any more about it than the men who read. He has an opinion, based on what he may see and hear. So has J. R. J., Jr., and so has every person who follows football closely. But, with the forward pass and the element of surprise entering into a game, as well as the assertain quantity, fight, the person does not live on this earth who knows or has any right to positively state that one team will defeat another—that is, teams that are so nearly equal in skill, strength and coaching as Princeton and Yale, Penn and Penn State or Pirt and W. and J.

Of course, you could predict that Cornell would lick Albright and be mre that, barring a train wreck or an epidemic of measles which sont the entire varsity squad at Ithaca into hospital cots, you would be absolutely correct. You might, as many experts did, predict that Harvard would heat Brown-and then see what a hambone you would be! For it is recorded that the score was 3-0, the Providence Bears having the three and of that score.

There are at least an even dozen teams within a night's train ride of our City Hall which we regard as so nearly equal in power and griding strategy that we would defy any man to pick the winners four out of six games be tween any of the twelve teams he might bring together. To you happen to remember that last Saturday the bulk of the expert judgment had as victors Penn State, Princeton and W. and J.? That we thought differently, J. R. I., Jr., was not because we knew an atom more about it than the bulk of the writers-we merely guessed right-and feared to publish our guesses, at that.

IN ANSWER to a letter from Albert Rickert, of Atlantic City, we can state positively-no guesswork about it—that Captain Pos Miller, of the 1922 Penn cleven, and Heine Miller, who led a Red and Blue eleven in 1918, are not brothers. They are both great

grid players.

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# MITCHELL READY

Injured Eye Heals - Ray Has Been Developing as Lightweight Product

WILL BOX IN NEW YORK

#### By LOUIS H. JAFFE

PUSHING his swarthy figure into the local fistic limelight is a South Philadelphia lightweight who gives promise to step on to the same pedestal with Lew Tendler as a nationally famous fistman. His name is John Lembardo, but for punching purposes Jonathan uses the handle of Ray Mitchell.

Mitchell halls from that section of Philadelphia known as Point Breeze, and his Point Breeze cohorts fleck out every time Ray goes to the post Recently Mitchell suffered a bad cut over his left eye and as a result be was forced to call off several matches. Now he has rounded into fine fettle and again is in condition to tackle any of the 135-pounders-bar none. as they say.

Being in the ring only a little more than a year, Mitchell gradually has improved his style and ability so that e can well afford to stack up against of the lightweights in the world. with the probable exception of the champion, Benny Leonard, and Philadelphia's ace. Tendler.

#### Mitchell Is A Confident Bird

And this chap Mitchell is a confident bird. "If the public believes I am entitled to matches with Leonard or Tendler I would gladly meet either. sold the South Philadelphian today Any of the others, however, will be recommodated at any old time. Tiplitz. Morne, Handon, Barrett, Dundee, Jackson, er, for that matter, I don't are who they are.

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the direction and handling of Charley Must Beat Manufacturers' Club therefore, and just now Chawles is ne-gothering with a number of out-of-town promoters for his protege's servlown promoters for his protege's serv-lees. Before the end of the year Ray expects to make his bow in a New York ring, and it probably will be at he Madison Square Garden. Because of his anxiety to keep as busy as torsible in the squared circle Mitchell has had a number of bouts town, having displayed his metile at Atlantic City and different spots in New Jersey and up the State.

A year ago Ray lacked hitting power.

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#### English Welter Is After Walker Contenders

twenty-five matches.

terweight invader, who came here some! Should the Lancaster Avenue tran-time ago to challenge for the world's alers crash their opponents in this eve-147-pound laurels, has decided on a new plan. He is ready to take on con-Bermondsey Billy Wells, English webnew pane. He is ready to take on con-temfers for Mickey Walker's grown to of a mirrorle can keep them from carry-prove that he is the logical man to how ing off both the individual team and for the New Jersey youngster's newly class championship for the opening sec-

Here's a letter from Charley Harvey, tion of the twin bill provided by the

## RED MEN IN CAGE

Osage Tribe Has First-Class Team in the Field

The various tribes of the Improved Order of Red Men played basebell luring the summer, in which time some nightly exciting contests were witnessed. A number of teams have now organized

to play basketball.
One of the lest of these quinters is Osage Tribe No. 113, which has a really first-class club. They would the

## Scraps About Scrappers

Billy Muscott, the Coast bantamweight, is

Harry Greb, ight heavyweight charges.

Thurst a, who has jumed here to me at the Reduc Masser, of Pittsburge, as to me at their Shore at Instruct. Mich., Ires to a historically began Greb recently. Kid Williams, one-time bantamas and damplen well seest Phil O'Done to Proceed to ample well seest while the transverse and he was a post at the Garden. New York Cit. Local for 11 against Midget Smith. Johnny onthis or Terry Martin.

Lest at the Prince George track are: First race Dan E. O'Sutlivani Fel-

in West Philade have the former Union town. Pa. Lightweight is a member of the Shumban Cache of the He has been boxing at a number of smakers in the neighborhood. Frankle Datley is signing boundly up for several bouts before the first of the

racers. Cherry Pie won \$21,679.

Three winners at Newbury, England,

## How Interclub Bowlers Will Line Up Tonight

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Manufacturers' "Yellows" vs. Over-brook "Greens," at Manufacturers'

Club.
Overbrook "Whites" vs. Manufacturers' "Blues." at Overbrook.
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Germantown "Whites" vs. Union
League "Blues." at Manheim.
Merion "Whites" vs. Cynwyd
"Blues." at Haverford.
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Linwood Tourney Christmas

Are Drawing Entries

PROS MAKE PROPOSALS

By SANDY MeNIBLICK

OLFERS hereabouts are planning a

days. By this is meant Thanksgiving

start of the fall golf tournament there.

Match play will be decided the two

following days. Many locals are getting

As for Christmas Day, the new Lin-wood Country Club, near Atlantic City,

that the Clifton Heights lad is showing

daily improvement with left-hand punches which he expects to employ to advantage against Pal Moran in the

Johnny Brown, the shifty English.
man, goes against Martin Judgo, a
rugged local lad.
Benny Bass, former amateur champion, will have to be at his top form
to lower the colors of Billy Mascott, of
New York

It was announced yesterday that the

second of the series of fistic carnivals for the Arena would be held on De-cember 11. Matchmaker Jack Hanlon

is busy arranging another all-star card

Otto Reiselt Bows to Layton

Sedalia, Mo., Nov. 23.—Otto Reiselt, the Philadelphia cue artist, was defeated by Layton, of Sedalia, in the finals of the national three-cushion billiard championship tournament played here. Layton, who holds the world's title, had difficulty disposing of the Philadelphian in the afternoon block but in the evening he won by a slightly larger margin.

Pleasantville Cancels on Hammon

that direction.

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tional open.

## While the Overbrook Golf Club's the interclub race, they being out in from by a comfortable margin at the

of the Manufacturers' Club, which have Younger Opponents Make Good Many folks try to sink at least one bird on each of those days but this year it'll be different. Lakewood has set aside Thanksgiving Day for the Showing Against All-Club Eleven

#### SECOND

Playing against a team that not only The turkey to be served, perhaps, is a outweighed them, but also possessed bird all right, the only difference being Well's manager:

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this week Dr. P. B. Hawk's Cynwyd of hockey.

"Blues" proceeded to siam the Germantown "Whites" three times in a now. There was only one game over son in the lor, and one of the Manheim sore was 683.

The Merion "Maroons." by the way, deserve credit for putting up a great tight against the Overbrook "Greens." Townsend and other players of equal rank. The mere fact that the girls scored on the All-Club team showed that the in the third game, when Back" Dougherty scored 189 and Joe Townsend 295 and saved themselves from a shutout. Incidentally, they had a total score of 2545 pins for the trio of games to 2397 for Overbrook, yet lost two of the three. Fairly tough.

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# How Does It Strike You?

Swimming Awards Value of a Manager

THE OBSERVER

Kane's Sportsmanship THE awards of the A. A. U. championships announced at the annual meeting

of the athletic body in New York this week surprised and disappointed swin. ming enthusiasts in this city. Nine of the eleven indoor title events of this district decided last year were won by Philadelphians, and Quaker City entries scored first place in four national championships.

Despite these facts. Philadelphia was awarded only three Middle Atlante and one national event this year. Atlantic City, on the other hand, gains five district and three national contests, although representatives of the famous play. ground hold only two sectional and one national crown.

Last year swimming enjoyed one of the most successful seasons here in this city and it was thought that the coming year would establish a new mark in interest and class of competition. However, not only does Philadelphia get fewer events, but some of the contests have been eliminated altogether. The mermen have suffered more than their sisters. Only two Middle

Atlantic men's championships will be decided, as compared with five last year Six titular contests will be staged for the girls. The men in this district will have chances to compete only for the 100 and 220 yard events. A 500-yard and high-board fancy-diving champion

have been added to the girls' events, but the back stroke and the furlong have Apparently the backstroke is not being encouraged, but Sybil Bauer, of the Illinois A. C., made faster time for a quarter mile with this stroke than any

man has ever made. Such proficiency certainly deserves encouragement. CYBIL BAUER is not from this district, but we have here in Phila-O delphia Frances Clarke, a versatile, skillful and pretty maid, who last year clipped the record in the century backstroke event.

#### The Value of a Manager to a Boxer

EREIDIE WELSH, former lightweight champion, attended an informal dinner in New York the other night and gave his views of the value of manager to a boxer. He is quoted by Damon Runyon as saying: 'I tried ten years to get the lightweight championship of the world, but couldn't do it because I lacked business ability. Then I got a manager, Harry Pollok, and in two years I had the time.

"It is my opinion that some managers may not be worth more than 5 per cent of the boxer's money, but most of them are worth 90 per cent." This coming from Welsh, one of the most intelligent boxers in the game, commands respect. Fans are inclined to look upon managers as parasite but it frequently happens that the manager makes the boxer instead of the boxer making the manager.

As Welsh pointed out a good boxer can flounder around in the game and get nowhere if he attempts the business end himself. Many a good fistic artist has been rained by a poor manager. But like Welsh, there are numerous Lakewood Thanksgiving and boxers who owe their success to the men who conducted their business affairs.

WELSH and Polick broke relations after a bitter quarrel, but looking back with the calmness that comes with the years, the former title holder can fully appreciate the benefits he derived from a good manager.

#### An Example of Yale-Harvard Athletes

THE Yale-Harvard game usually brings out some excellent display of sports. man-hip. Last year's contest was no exception.

Bob Fisher's Crimson athletes won last year's battle, 10-3. Had it not been for a penalty another touchdown would have been scored by Captain Kane G ripping time, especially on the holf- and his mates. In the fourth period, George Owen sprinted off tackle and by clever dodging

and Christmas. It is seldom these two and straight arming the Harvard back crossed the goal line. days are set aside for golf, but this Tom Thorp, who was umpiring, recalled the play and penalized Ha year two clubs are making plans in 15 yards for holding, thereby proving himself a fearless and just official. Tom Thorp, who was umpiring, recalled the play and penalized Harrand "Mr. Kane," said Thorp to the Crimson captain, "there was a man on the

left side of your line holding on that play and it cost Harvard a touchdown. I wish you would warn him on the use of his hands on the offense. "I shall do that, Mr. Thorp," Kane replied. "However, it's not necessary, was the man. I am very sorry."

TIMIS is an example of sportsmanship for Harvard and Yale men and I all athletes to follow. Kane was wrong and he took the penalty like



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